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Applicant: Takashi MUNAKATA, et al.

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

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Title: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Mail Stop Amendment Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 SEP 1 6 2004

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2004.

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<u>Transmitted</u> herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached:

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The fee has been calculated as shown below

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	3	20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	3	0	\$86.00 =	\$0.00
		Multiple claims newly presented			\$0.00
		Fee for extension of time			\$0.00
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		Total of Above Calculations			\$0.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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